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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2006 (hereinafter "Office Action") please consider the following remarks and amendments.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page **2** of this paper.

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